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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Group 1651

Eugene A. Woltering et al.

Examiner Afremova, Vera

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For: Three-Dimensional Ex Vivo Angiogenesis System (File No. 98M06.1 Woltering)

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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Dear Sir:

This Reply is submitted in response to the Official Action dated April 2, 2003.

SCHEDULED PERSONAL INTERVIEW

A personal interview with the Examiner, the Examiner's supervisor, inventor Dr. Eugene Woltering, and the undersigned is scheduled on October 7, 2003 at 9:30 a.m. The Examiner is requested to defer further action until after the interview.

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that this Reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and the accompanying check for \$410.00 are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-150 on September 2, 2003.

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